

MARRIAGE PREPARATION INFORMATION

“The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament.” (Code of Canon Law, can. 1055)

Scheduling Your Wedding:

Contact the parish office at (630)668-0918 at least six months prior to the desired date of the wedding to set up an appointment with a priest. The date and time of the wedding are scheduled at the meeting with the priest.

Weddings are typically on Saturdays at noon or 2pm or on Fridays in the late afternoon.

Wedding rehearsals are typically the day or 2 days before the wedding.

Donations and Costs Associated with the Wedding: 1. A donation between \$300 and \$500 for the church; 2. Approx. \$200 for the Preparation Program; 3. \$20 for the Altar Servers on the day of the wedding; 4. Fees determined by the Parish Musicians

Things to Do:

1. 2 or 3 Meetings with a Priest

In the meetings with the priest, they will complete the Prenuptial Questionnaire, and the couple will speak with the priest about the understanding of the sacrament of marriage, what paperwork is needed and when, as well as details associated with planning the wedding.

2. Engaged Encounter Weekend or Other Approved Marriage Preparation Program
3. FOCCUS Inventory (taken on-line and reviewed with a married couple)
4. A Natural Family Planning Class
5. Select Music with the Parish Music Director

Items Needed:

- Certificates of Baptism from the church of Baptism
- Certificates of Confirmation from the church of Confirmation (if confirmed)
- Marriage License from DuPage County within 60 days of the wedding
(If already married civilly, a copy of the marriage certificate)
- Please speak with the priest before scheduling the wedding if there are any previous marriages.

Forms to be Completed with a Deacon or Priest:

These will be explained by the priest and filled out with the priest or another priest or deacon

- Affidavits with two witnesses for the bride and groom
- Prenuptial Questionnaire completed with couple
- Permission for Mixed Marriage or a Dispensation (for marriages between a Catholic and a non-Catholic)